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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Editor's Service to the China Mail)

### EUROPEAN SITUATION.

#### THE ENTENTE MUST BE REVISED.

#### UNION OF FREEDOM NECESSARY.

Mr. James Garvin, editor of the *Observer*, says that the French action regarding General Wrangel has made it impossible for Britain to go to actual war on any issue connected with Poland and has almost thrown the whole of the East European game into Lenin's hands. The Entente must be revised. There must be a union of freedom and goodwill. The recent relationship had been a union of fitters.

The Socialist Hendman, speaking at a meeting of the National Socialist Party, said he did not believe in direct action because people who would not go to the ballot would not go to the barricade.

#### DELEGATES DEPART.

The Weekly *Despatch* correspondent at Warsaw reports that the Polish delegates left for Minsk on the morning of August 14.

#### POLISH SOVIET.

The commander of the Fourth Bolshevik Army has informed a German pressman that the Polish Soviet formed at Bielskostock on July 30 will proceed to Warsaw after the capture of the capital and from there conclude peace with the Soviet on the basis of self-determination.

#### ORGANISING DEFENCE.

The *Lehrling* reports that the Poles are restoring the ex-German fortresses of Graudenz and Thorn and are organising resistance on the Vistula line.

#### BERLIN, August 15.

The Poles have evacuated Soldau.

#### GROWING UNEMPLOYMENT.

#### LIVERPOOL SHIPBUILDING OUTLOOK GLOOMY.

The Weekly *Despatch* confirms the fears of growing unemployment and has collected information from industrial centres. It says that the Liverpool shipbuilding outlook is very gloomy. Dockers and electrical trades are already badly affected and thousands are out of work. Similar reports come from Hull, Burnley and South Wales.

#### GERMAN MINERS' CONDITIONS.

The Allied Commission is meeting at Essen forthwith to investigate means of improving the German miners' conditions in accordance with the Spa coal protocol.

#### BUBONIC PLAGUE IN PARIS.

Four cases of bubonic plague, one of which was fatal, have occurred. It is hoped to prevent it spreading.

#### MAYOR OF CORK HUNGER STRIKING.

The Lord Mayor of Cork, who was arrested during a raid on a Sinn Fein Court, is hunger-striking.

#### BISHOPS RETURNING.

A number of overseas Bishops are returning from the Lambeth Conference by the "Aquitania" to-day.

#### AMERICA'S SWEETHEART.

MARY PICKFORD TO VISIT  
JAPAN.

Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks—left on a honeymoon trip to Europe; upon their return they plan in October to visit Japan. They are now going to roam the highways and byways of the Continent far away from the searching eye of the camera and the mad whirl of movie life.

Before sailing on the Lapland Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks received representatives of the foreign press at their apartment at the Ritz Carlton Hotel.

"I just cannot believe that I am going," she said. "I have always wanted to go abroad. You see I am really English, that is to say I was until I married Douglas. I am particularly anxious to visit England, I am not saying this because Mr. Wilson is here," she ventured, turning to the London *Daily News* correspondent, "but all my childhood I heard about England, and I am tired of playing England in California," she added as she adjusted a big brown bow on the little skirt that peeped beneath her skirt.

WEARS HAT TOO LONG.  
"I am not fashionable," she said, looking disapprovingly at the bow. "I do not know what people wear."

WALLA WALLA BOATS—The "Big Four" of the movie world known as the United Artists Corporation, Japan Advertiser.

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## LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS  
AND SURVEYORS.  
Public Auctions

THE Undersigned have received Instructions to sell by Public Auction,  
on  
WEDNESDAY, August 18, 1920,  
commencing at 2.45 p.m.  
at No. 2 Hart Avenue, Kowloon.

A Quantity of  
Valuable Household Furniture,  
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).  
On view from Tuesday, the 17th.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,  
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Hongkong, August 12, 1920.

on  
WEDNESDAY, August 18, 1920,  
commencing at 11 a.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,  
16 Noiseless Typewriters,  
3 sheets Rubber,  
3 Tennis Nets,  
24 dozen Ayres Tennis Balls,  
36 dozen Davis Tennis Balls,  
1 Dictaphone,  
100 Kgs. White Zinc,  
50 cases Red Oxide Powder,  
200 Kgs Red Oxide Paint,  
15 Kgs Green Paint,  
3 cases Petroleum Burners,  
74 Pairs Gent's & Lady's boots &  
Shoes.

Also  
A Quantity of Sundry Office &  
Household Furniture.  
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers.

on  
FRIDAY, August 27, 1920,  
at 12 o'clock (noon),  
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,  
(For Account of the Concerned),  
The Wreck of the

S. S. "CHIYO MARU,"  
as she now lies off the Lema Islands.  
Terms: Cash on fall of hammer when  
the wreck will be at purchaser's risk.

LAMMERT BROS.,  
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No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of  
Ice House Street.

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, TEAKWOOD TWIN BEDSTEADS, CARPETS, &c., &c.  
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Upholstered Suite, Bedroom Furniture,  
comprising Teakwood White Enamelled

Twin Bedsteads, large and small Ward-  
robes, Dressing Tables, and Chairs, Wash-  
stands, &c., (famed Teakwood), Side-  
boards, Dinner Tables, Extension Dining

Tables and Chairs, &c., Dinner Services,  
Crockery, and Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, &c., Bath

Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware,  
Electric Bedding Lamps and Fans,

Blackwood and Teakwood Screens, a  
quantity of blackwood Furniture, Side  
Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures,  
Carpets, new and second-hand.

Also

One Good Piano, (by Allison, London),  
1 Enameled Bath, American Ice Chest,  
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A Small Consignment of  
WHITE GOODS, &c., &c.,  
comprising:-

Pillow Cases, White Satin Quilts,  
Turkish Towels, Bath Towels, Bath  
Sheets, Double Bed Sheets, Battenberg  
and Drawnwork Bedspreads, Table  
Covers, Crochet and Drawnwork  
Nets, Table Cloths, Linen Damask  
Satinettes, &c.

Also

A few lots of Bellow Valises, Kit  
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Two Pairs Prismatic Binoculars.  
(All new goods and in small lots.)  
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SARTON.—On August 8, 1920, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Sarton, a daughter.

HOPKYN REES.—On August 4, 1920, at Tsingtao, the wife of A. H. Hopkyn Rees, a son.

BUYERS.—On August 9, 1920, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Buyers, a son.

MARRIAGE.

FURNESS—KANO.—On August 6, 1920, at Shanghai, George Clifford Furness, fifth son of late Thomas Swift Furness, of Auburn, New South Wales, to Toi Kano, of Shanghai.

DEATH.

DOUGAL.—On August 9, 1920, at Shanghai, Robert Spence Dougall, manager of the "T.D." department of Andrews and George, aged 47 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

Captain Dunstan Fuller, 11th Royal Fusiliers, killed in action West Front. Born in Shanghai, November 24, 1896.

**The China Mail.**  
 "TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

Hongkong, MONDAY, AUG. 16, 1920.

**HONGKONG: HOW GOVERNED.**

In theory, a Crown Colony is governed by the man who wears the crown. In practice, we know that the king has far too much to do to give his personal attention to our affairs. In theory, again, the Secretary of State for the Colonies knows all about us, and considers our case and decides our problems. In practice, he knows next to nothing about us. In the first place he is a politician, holding the office only as long as his party happens to be in power, and his mind is mainly preoccupied with party problems. When he gets his job, we are a dot on a map to him; when he loses it, we are not much more. The parliamentary under-secretary is in the same boat. The permanent under-secretary (Sir G. V. Fiddes, £2,000 a year) has to divide his attention among all the Colonies, including the Dominions

The fact is, as you ought to be able to see now, that the answer to the question, "How is Hongkong governed?" is that Hongkong isn't governed at all. It merely muddles through a maze of precedent. That is why the Constitutional Reformers want a change. They are not asking for freedom—that would be too shocking. Radical, utopian, and impractical—they are asking for a little lengthening or slackening of the chains that bind us.

**THE REFUSE DESTRUCTOR.**

It is rarely that public opinion has in view all the factors of any problem in which it takes an interest. The reason for saying "rarely" rather than "never" is that sometimes, when officialdom deigns to explain, and the newspapers conduct a discussion and see that every available source of information is tapped, it does happen that nothing material is ignored. It is not so in the case of the question of refuse disposal at Hongkong. The dumps in the city are offensive, and everybody can see that they ought not to be where they are. Someone from an up-to-date town at home mentions a refuse destructor, and immediately we are all glibly saying that that's it, that's the answer—we want a refuse destructor. It so happens that there is no problem of disposing of our city refuse—nature has seen to that. We can take it outside the harbour and dump it in the great big antiseptic ocean. The problem is that of collection. We have overlooked the multitude of our narrow up-and-down streets, in our city built on a steep hill side. From these the rubbish has to be collected and borne by hand to the lower level, and this necessitates dumps. We must put up with dumps, although it is quite possible that we may modify their obtrusiveness. There is talk of a very long, T-shape pier, with a hopper arrangement at the end of it. That would take the shore dump from immediately under our noses, and it would do away with the present need for disturbing the dump with shovels, etc. Perhaps one day, when the Bolsheviks are running the Colony for us, they will have overhead refuse carriers running down from our congested hill districts, something like the ammunition carriers between the Navy yard and their store up the hill.

**OUR POPULATION.**

The annual report of the Medical Officers for last year bristles with figures, and how much or how little of them is going to stick in the minds of the readers we dare not guess. It depends on the capacity for remembering such things. Our own memory, good for words and images, is as canny on figures. It remembers that September, has thirty days, and a few odd numbers of that sort; but a group of five or more digits brings it out on strike. Mnemonic dodges to help it are sometimes disastrous, as when we solemnly assured a party that the height of Mount Fuji is 365,012 feet, in consequence of reversing the months and days of the year. Our population is a matter with which visitors regularly tease us. "What is your population?" We never can remember, and they look at us in pained surprise, the scoundrels, as if they wouldn't promptly forget it themselves if we did know it and told them. So when we saw that which happens, and we still have to work for wages, we change masters. Working for the public is harder still; for instead of one nagging master, there are many masters, all very busy critics. There will be the Departmental Head, accountable to someone above him, and there will be the unofficial critics. It is a nobler thing to work for the good of a community than to work for the enrichment of a master. A master can become an unreasonable, intolerable nuisance. When that happens, and we still have to work for wages, we change masters. Working for the public is harder still; for instead of one nagging master, there are many masters, all very busy critics. There will be the Departmental Head, accountable to someone above him, and there will be the unofficial critics.

The wage may be insufficient, in which case private worries hinder the complete concentration that is necessary to good work. But if that's waived, there is this business of praise and blame; that counts immensely. You see, although working for a wage, as we all do, the official is a man with a man's feelings. He cannot help, other distractions being left out, taking an interest in his work, and wanting to do it well, and (this is very important) having it known that he has done well. Having done his best, and feeling some thing of the craftsman's or artist's complacency, he discovers one day the horrid fact that it is impossible to please everybody. There are some people whom it is impossible to please. Then the noble work of serving the public begins to look like a humiliating slavery. All right, the official who is also a man says to himself, if all that I am to get out of it is my poor wage and some humiliations, why should I function more than officially? He becomes less the "man" and more the official. He is discouraged, and drifts into a routine. But he still remains man, and it is the nature of a real man that these depressions are not permanent. He will not stay down. Presently he gets interested in his job again, does it as if he were working for himself, which he then is, quite forgetting that he is working for a wage. He does good work again, which is not much of the import of P.D.O., but they stand in Hongkong, for a great deal of very solid work, as we are reminded by the annual report of the Department just published. They spent nearly three and a half millions last year, \$3,448,995, or

the worker who works for a private boss, however tyrannical. He suffers and abhors where the other gets mere pin-pricks. Let us try to remember that the official is entitled to special consideration that the man who works for the public never gives him, and that however official he may be, he is also human.

P.W.D.

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**THE CHINA MAIL.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**THIS FOR THE C.S.P.**

To the Editor of the "China Mail":

Sir,—I think it is a wise measure for one to inform another of a thing which the latter is entirely ignorant of. Such is not telling him tales, but to inform him the exact nature of a subject, which he ought to have some grasp of it. The citizens of this Colony might well feel proud, and at the same time be grateful to the authorities for handing out such a fine body of men as the Police Force for the protection of our lives, and the safety of our property from the daring hands of these ages. But we, citizens, would be much more obliged to one and all of the Police, especially those who are accustomed to make arrests of miscreants, not to handle them in such a way, which the public rightly calls "Injustice" and the Police themselves, show no worthy of their position. The C.S.P. undoubtedly, hard at work at his desk every day, would be pleased to learn of something new. I should like to know whether it is a right procedure or not, for his men, when they have arrests in hand, to give their captures punishment, "beforehand," though they are on their way before the law. The law-breaker deserves to receive anything hard on him once he is behind the prison doors but to see him being roughly handled, receiving blows right and left of him, is something that he is really to be put off. Is the C.S.P. ever aware of such? It was just yesterday in Hollywood Road, that I saw another of these disgraceful acts, and as I had seen many before, I came to the conclusion that it must be a "fast-sticking" rule of the Police. Take it that such is not the case, why is it at all necessary for a detective or a policeman to "nearly kill" his capture before he is brought to the station? A prisoner, no matter what sort of sentence he had served, might become a "better" man later on in life, but his career is short. He would have lived to some advance years, had not he been struck so severely on his person when he was once, in the hands of the Police. Such "blowing" and "kicking" have got to be stopped. The Police should have realized by this time, that the greatest mistake they have ever made is the one they are now committing, and it is to be hoped that if there is really humanity at all, such a mistake has well got to be prevented.

It is my one desire and that is that the C.S.P. should easily see to this—

**ONLOOKER.**

Hongkong, August 16, 1920.

**BANKRUPTCY COURT.**

**CREDITORS TAKE OVER BUSINESS.**

The Bankruptcy Court sat on Saturday, the case of the Tsun Hing Hong, an import and export firm, being heard by Mr. Justice Gompert, Acting Chief Justice. Mr. H. L. Dennis appeared for a number of creditors and Mr. A. N. Clegg for a woman creditor named Pang Ju-ning and others.

Application was made for the appointment of a different or additional trustee to two appointed by some of the creditors, preference being expressed for a European trustee. Mr. Clegg explained that in March last a small body of Hongkong creditors representing \$120,000 worth of debts, took possession of the firm's premises and proceeded to run the business and collect the assets. They then filed a petition in bankruptcy and appointed two of themselves as trustees. Some Canton creditors then made representations that they desired a European trustee and an interim receiving order was made appointing Mr. Seth as interim receiver. The debtor firm had assets in the shape of book debts amounting to \$160,000, but possibly \$50,000 would have to be wiped off. The liabilities were \$282,000. Later the interim receiver applied to the creditors who were running the business to disclose the assets they had collected. They replied that no assets had been realised and eventually, Mr. Seth had to go to the Official Receiver and through him apply to a Chinese bank for full particulars. It was found that \$18,000 had been collected and paid into the account of the creditors.

His Lordship, after some discussion, intimated that unless the parties could come to some arrangement he would appoint the Official Receiver to act alone. The defendant's case was that he had been here only a short time and did not know local regulations. She told witness that her husband was at sea. Witness had a strong suspicion that the flat was being run as an opium den, as the other rooms in the house were all laid out for the purpose of opium smoking, and there were several people actually smoking opium on the premises when he raided it. On the roof he also found two opium pipes.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$500 or in default, three months' hard labour. The drug was confiscated.

**SPECIAL CABLE**

**STEAMER SUNK.**

**NINETEEN PERSONS DROWNED.**

**TWENTY-THREE SURVIVORS.**

**[China Mail Special]**

SINGAPORE, August 16

The steamer "Stephen" was sunk between Penang and Sumatra. Eight passengers and eleven of the crew were drowned. The 23 survivors were landed at Sabang.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

A meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held to-morrow at 4:15 p.m.

On Friday one imported case (British) of enteric fever was reported.

The a.s. "Bolton Castle," (Doddwell & Co. Ltd., agents) arrived in New York on August 2.

The approaching wedding is announced of Mr. Lewis John Morley, chemist, to Miss Lucie Chan.

Miss Hannah Kunkle, of the American Presbyterian Mission, was recently drowned while bathing at Kuling.

A Society for the Promotion of punctuality has just been formed in Shanghai. Some 200 members have enrolled.

A reminder is given that the V.R.C. night fete postponed from Thursday evening last, takes place to-morrow evening.

The body of the late Mr. H. U. Jeffries, who died recently at Hakak, Japan, was cremated and the ashes will be sent to America for burial.

M. Le Bris, chairman of the French Municipal Council at Shanghai, is proceeding Home, on the "Gentura," accompanied by Mme. Le Bris.

Two fatal cases of plague and one fatal case of enteric fever, of which the victims were all Chinese, are recorded in to-day's return of notifiable disease.

Owing to the labour strike in Copenhagen the East Asiatic Company's motorship "Chile" which passed through Hongkong on Saturday, on its way to Japan, had a crew of Danish students and other professional men.

Among the passengers who left Hongkong on the P. & O. "Dunera" yesterday for Colombo, was Mr. A. L. Andree, who has been with the Municipality, with whom was his friend, Mr. G. F. Stapp, struck a tree on the left side of Stamford Road, and crashed into the railings of the canal. Later, the occupants of the car, the two Europeans and the chauffeur were found lying on the road side. The police came on the scene and removed the victims to the hospital, where Mr. Stapp, who was a store-keeper in the employ of the F.M.S. Railways, succumbed to his injuries. Mr. Cooper and the chauffeur were detained in the hospital.

A whist drive and dance were held Friday evening at the K. E. Serjeants' Mess, Wellington Barracks. The winners of the drive were—

Ladies—1, Mrs. Grimes (145); 2, Mrs. Bidey (144); 3, Miss Puckett (142); 4, Miss R. Ewart (140); 5, Mrs. Warren (145); 6, Mr. Owen (144); 7, Mr. Burden (142); 8, Mrs. Bigwood (144). S. M. Flynn conducted the drive.

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**BLACK CATS.**

**SATURDAY'S ENTERTAINMENT.**

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**AN OPIUM DIVAN?**

**POLICE RAID FLAT.**

**ILLEGAL OPIUM SEIZED.**

A Chinese woman was this morning charged before Magistrate Hutchinson with the unlawful possession of nine taels of prepared non-Government opium.

The defendant admitted possession, but said that the drug did not belong to her. It was left for safe keeping in her house by a friend, a woman travelling trader.

Inspector Grant, who prosecuted, said that he raided the defendant's flat in Chinatown yesterday, and on a cocktail which the defendant admitted she occupied, he found the opium. Five taels were found in an ingeniously carved piece of wood which formed part of her bed. Three taels in a basket and one tael in the pocket of a coat which was hanging on the wall. The defendant said she had been here only a short time and did not know local regulations. She told witness that her husband was at sea. Witness had a strong suspicion that the flat was being run as an opium den, as the other rooms in the house were all laid out for the purpose of opium smoking, and there were several people actually smoking opium on the premises when he raided it. On the roof he also found two opium pipes.

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S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (a.m.)	Destination
"TAKADA"	7,000	19th Aug.	Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.

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VISCOUNT CHINDA.

London, August 13th.  
Viscount Chinda had the honour of lunching with their Majesties.

## SHIPBUILDING IN FAR EAST.

London, August 13th.  
The Times publishes interesting impressions on shipbuilding conditions abroad of Mr. James French, Chief Surveyor of Lloyd's Register, a North American who has returned to London from New York via the Pacific and the Far East.

In the course of Mr. French's visit to Japanese shipyards he noted the adaptation to the changed conditions, and mentions the busyness at old-established establishments where fine cargo vessels were being built. He refers to other excellent new yards most of whom, however, were feeling a general falling off in the demand for tonnage. He touches on the excellent work of the Hongkong yards and the good repairing facilities at Singapore.

## UNREST IN IRELAND.

London, August 13th.  
The military raided the Cork City Hall last evening, during a sitting of the Sinn Fein court. Eleven persons were arrested including the Lord Mayor.

## ARCHBISHOP MANNIX.

London, August 12th.  
Ten Australasian archbishops and bishops have just returned to England from Rome and have published a protest against the treatment of Archbishop Mannix as an insult to him and an indignity to all the Catholics in Australasia. They declare they are in a position to deny the statement that Archbishop Mannix has been castrated by the Pope.

## FRANCO-BELGIAN AGREEMENT.

London, August 13th.  
Franco-Belgian military chiefs have signed an agreement settling the general lines of a defensive alliance between the two countries. Political and economic questions remain to be considered.

## LABOUR TROUBLES IN ENGLAND.

London, August 13th.  
The National Miners' Conference, has decided by ballot the question of a strike in connection with the demand for increased wages arising out of the Government's recent refusal to entertain their claims.

## KING'S VISIT TO SCOTLAND POSTPONED.

London, August 13th.  
His Majesty has postponed his visit to Scotland in consequence of the seriousness of the political situation.

## SURRENDERED GERMAN SHIPS.

New York, August 13th.  
According to present plans the surrendered German warships will be sent to the Atlantic at full speed with rudders jammed and sunk by torpedoes and guns of the American fleet.

## COUNTY CRICKET.

London, August 13th.  
Middlesex beat Notts by nine wickets. Surrey beat Lancashire by 221 runs. Leicestershire beat Derby by an innings and 14 runs. The Hampshire-Essex and the Yorkshire-Sussex matches were drawn.

## DEAF AND DUMB PRIEST.

ANCIENT ROMAN CHURCH LAW RELAXED.

The first deaf mute ever to be made a priest in the history of the Roman Catholic Church was ordained on a Sunday by the Bishop of Bordeaux. The event has caused a great deal of interest in theological quarters as it is a disciplinary regulation of the first importance and antiquity in the Roman Church that no man not physically complete can be received into major orders.

The case was judged at Rome for two years where opponents cited the classic case of Origen, the early Father. Owing to the fact that the postulant in question, Le Fonte, had been educated to speak by the system of lip-reading, the Pope finally pronounced in his favour. The result is of interest not only to the theologically-minded, but to all those engaged in the new education of deaf mutes.

## ANFU PARTY "JUSTICE."

## HOW SUSPECTS ARE MALTREATED.

## METHODS OF THE MIDDLE AGES.

The following account, by a Chinese journalist, of the treatment meted out to him when he fell foul of the Anfu Party is interesting. Mr. Li Sung-ling had committed no other crime than to attempt to transmit to his paper in Hongkong some news that a Peking Editor had had the temerity to publish. For this offence, in utter defiance of the legal rights supposed to be held by every citizen of the Republic of China, he was treated—or rather maltreated—like a common criminal, and suffered physically only less than mentally. The mental torment of a man imprisoned in the circumstances which Mr. Li Sung-ling so graphically describes, can well be imagined. He was in the power of a clique that was unprincipled as it was powerful and as callous as it was corrupt.

But his illegal incarceration has not been without its compensations. He has been enabled to let light into one of the many dark places in which the Anfu Party did its sinister work, and has supplied material with which a Committee of Investigation charged with the discovery of the working of the Ministry of Justice under the Anfu regime, might advantageously begin its labours.

## STORY OF MY ARREST AND MALTREATMENT BY THE ANFU LEADERS.

In justice to myself and in contradiction to the many wild rumours against me (I learn) that it has actually been stated in the Treaty Ports that I was serving a term of imprisonment for embezzlement! I have yielded to the persuasion and request of many of my Chinese and foreign friends to give a statement of my recent arrest and imprisonment by the Anfu leaders.

As the Peking Editor of the Hongkong Chinese Mail (*Wai Tsz Yat Po*), an independent paper of some fifty years' standing, I have kept up a daily telegraphic service to my Hongkong paper for the past eleven years. In addition to this position, I also hold an appointment as Vice President of the Publicity Bureau of the Ministry of Finance. It was my duty to give to the Press information which I considered beneficial to the country as a whole. In this capacity I always thought nationally, I myself not being a member of any political party. Since the domination of the Peking Government by the Anfusites, I have entirely stopped giving out such information to the Press.

I, however, continued my telegraphic service to Hongkong, but refrained from using any official or private information which might be at my disposal. My Hongkong despatches solely contained news taken from the local papers.

On June 2, in my usual daily telegraphic despatch to Hongkong, I included the following items taken from the *Yih Shih Pao*:

Anfu clique arranging loan \$50,000,000 for purpose training eight brigades in order suppress south also negotiate in case failure military assistance of certain Power.

The exhibitor finally books the film, usually for a date about a year ahead, and it eventually reaches the audience. Some American firms are themselves renting the films they produce. In the United States direct to the exhibitor, our practice has not been followed largely in this country.

As this is the system at present in use in the British industry it is presumably the most suitable, although it is a matter of wonder sometimes whether there is a good chance of the audience's wishes reaching through all the steps of the organisation to those who are responsible for the first conception of a picture in any reasonable space of time.—*Daily Mail*.

## WIRELESS WONDERS.

## TRANSMITTING 1,000 WORDS A MINUTE.

Mr. Edward Nally, resident of the American Radio Corporation, announces, says a *Central News* New York message, that the world's biggest wireless plant is to be erected on a six thousand acre tract about seven miles from Port Jefferson, Long Island. The cost of the undertaking will be ten million dollars, and the installation will deal with five hundred words in a minute.

"We are going to erect," he says, "five units, each of which will have a minimum capacity of sending one hundred words a minute, and of receiving a like number. It is our plan to transfer the wireless signals direct from the wireless apparatus, to land wires, and send them right along into New York City to headquarters without calling manual labour into the process at any time. Each of the five units of the plant will serve a separate field." One will be in touch continuously with South America, another will talk to Germany, a third will serve France, another will go to Italy, and the fifth will serve Poland. Of course we have other circuits for talking to Japan and Great Britain."

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remember which paper it is taken from. But if you will look up the *Faking Jik Pao*, the *Yih Shih Pao* and the *Chin Pao*, you will find it in one of them. They are the papers to which I subscribe". Thus ended my cross-examination and I was taken to the place with the twenty police men. At about eight o'clock p.m. I was again called up and appeared before the same sectional chief, who admitted that he found the item of news in the *Yih Shih Pao*, but produced a private code book and a letter which had been taken from my house.

"How do you account for this private code book and the letter which is unintelligible to me?" was the first question. (The letter was written in pure Cantonese dialect and the Chinese characters were therefore unintelligible to the northerner.)

"I have many private code books in my house", I replied, "and this is only one of them. Perhaps, you are aware that since the war in Europe, no one is allowed to send any telegram in cipher without the official seal of some department. The code book in your hand was in use between me and the government many years ago when I was superintendent of Government banks at Canton. When I relinquished office, I returned my official seal to the government and the code book has since not been in use.

"And the letter?" I was asked.

"That", I replied, "has nothing whatever to do with the present case. It was addressed to me many years ago in connection with a recommendation from a friend for the employment of a proof-reader in my newspaper office. It being written in Cantonese dialect, it is necessary for you to study that dialect to understand it." That closed the cross examination of my case.

An hour or so later, the reception room of the Police Headquarters was converted into my cell, where a bed made up of two three pieces of wooden boards was ready for me, with a sheet and pillow which evidently had been used by previous prisoners of my class before. They certainly had not been washed ever since they were in service, for they were thick with dirt and smell badly.

Later, my meal was served. It consisted of some rice, some dry vegetable and a bowl of soup. When the cook brought the soup in he held the bowl dipping his thumb right into the soup. His finger nails were black with dirt. I could not eat and sleep that night. I thought to myself that they had no right to keep me there without preferring any charge against me. I thought of home because when I left home I had my safe key with me, and there was little available cash with my wife. I told the two police officers, who were assigned to keep watch over me and who stayed in my room by turns, to send for my wife, in order that I might deliver my safe key to her personally. I was told that I was not permitted to communicate with any one outside of my room. I undertook not to say a word, but only to deliver my key to my wife, because it was important that my family should be provided with money for current expenses. Even this was not allowed.

Being worried over my sick wife at home, without proper food in my prison, with the knowledge of the working of the Chinese law courts under Anfu control, and for want of sleep and being the prey of the mosquitoes throughout the first night, I developed a bad fever the next morning. I was informed that I might send letters home, but that all letters must first be submitted to the Police court for approval, and that I was not allowed to say a word about my case. I said letters would be too slow. I wanted to send for a doctor at once. I wanted them to telephone to my people to send me some food and some quinine tablets to keep down my fever. They refused to send for the latter, but requested my people to send the former. They said they had their own doctor in the police headquarters. That whole day I fed on eggs and biscuit sent to me from home. But my fever was high. I also had a thermometer sent to me to take my temperature and it was 100.1 and on the increase. Up to 6 o'clock in the afternoon, it registered 100.2. I again asked for the doctor, but he did not come that day.

The first night, my mind was too much occupied to notice anything. I heard nothing of my case during the day, but in the evening when I wanted to take a rest, I was disturbed up to midnight by the weeping and wailing of men and the crying and agonies of women, evidently the results of torture inflicted in order to secure evidence. Cases were tried before the police officers in the presence of one or two police men up to midnight. Frequently at midnight I heard the screaming and agonized wailing of men and women as if something sharp had been pierced through human flesh and bone. Ever and anon an awful shriek disturbed the night and fainted away. My room, or rather my cell, was about twenty feet from the place where cases were tried, so that the proceedings were well within my hearing. Then, I began to think of the work of the Law Codification Commissioners and the revision of China's law code. Here in the Capital of the Republic of China, within the precincts of the Metropolitan Police Headquarters, only five minutes walk from the Legation Quarter, which represents

the world's enlightened and highly civilised nations, which represents the world's fairness and justice, such horrible practices went on every night! And that was the department under the administration of Wu Ping-hsing, for many years, the Captain Superintendent of Police, and who is now reported by the local papers as having been arrested by the Government. But this is not the occasion for me to disclose what I saw and heard during my thirteen days' detention in the Police Headquarters. The next day and the days following, I was more worried about my own health than anything else. Although my fever went down considerably, I protested that a doctor must be sent for, and in the morning of the third day, a Chinese accompanied by a sectional police officer came in. He represented himself to me to be a doctor from a Japanese medical college. I showed him a record of my temperature, which usually went up in the morning, touching the highest point of 100.2 at two o'clock in the afternoon, and remaining at 100 in the evening. I complained of the bad food. I complained that there was no fresh air in my room. I said I had a very weak constitution and that if I were confined in such a place for any length of time, I would develop other diseases. The doctor, evidently believing that I was doubtless a capable as a doctor, began to discuss on medical science. He affirmed that there were twenty different kinds of quinine, that one kind is manufactured from bark, another from salt, a third from sulphur, and yet another from hide, etcetera, that (although he did not examine me, which he never did afterwards) my illness was purely imaginary. He gave an illustration that when two men were sentenced to death, and carried to the execution ground, it was not necessary for a bullet to go through the body to kill them, that the men would be dead when a gun was levelled at them and a blank shot was fired.

I told the doctor that I understood all this theory; that I did not care about the manufacture of quinine; that I had fever before I came in, only it was not so high. On previous occasions, I told him, I usually took a dose of quinine and I was alright the next morning. He then prescribed several things for me, but I said I would rather have a dose of quinine, because I was very particular about my medicine. The doctor left and sent me the desired medicine. Following further protestations, I was given an hour every morning to do walking exercise outside of my room, but was always followed by my guards. I continued thus, feeding on eggs sent to me by my people in the day and being subjected to hearing people in agonies at night, without any further information about my case until I was liberated on the thirteenth day. On the fourth and fifth days, instinct told me that my wife was extremely ill, and I addressed a memorandum to the Chief of the Police Department. In the memorandum, I gave a statement of my eleven year's service in and out of the government, and on many occasions I assisted in raising funds for the government; the part I played in raising relief funds during the recent flood, and that during the previous political upheaval, all responsible officials of the Bank of China having fled for their lives, I alone remained at my post to save the treasury and all the wealth by removing the same into the Legation Quarter at the most critical moment, at my personal risk. I stated that even if I were guilty in the present instance, I ought to be allowed to go home to make arrangements for my family and then to come back and face my charge. I requested that police officers should be assigned to follow me home to enable me to make such arrangements. I said that unless such arrangements were made, my wife and my children would be starving. But they completely ignored my request.

Meantime, my wife who was pregnant and ill, became utterly disoriented and called upon my friends to find out what was the charge against me. A former Prime Minister, three Ministers of the Cabinet and many of Chinese and foreign friends tried to find out what was the charge against me, but the Anfu leaders refused to give any information about my case.

Worried about my own safety, my wife was completely broken down and a premature birth occurred. Lying in a state between life and death, my whole family was uncared for, and this is the result of the administration of justice of the Anfu administration. Finally on the thirteenth day, through the efforts of my friends, I was told that my case was over and that I might return home on the understanding which I was compelled under duress to enter into that I was not to telegraph any news from the local papers.

LI SUM-LING.

Peking, August 4, 1920.

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Some witnesses, however, feared action by the British police against themselves, but were finally prevailed upon to sign their statements.

## A PRISONER'S CONFESSION.

An envoy went to the directors of the banks concerned on April 26 with signed statements.

After the envoy's return to Millstreet it was learned that the British police had visited the banks and endeavoured to establish the identity of the envoy in order to take action against him.

The prisoners were again brought before the court and told that evidence ensuring their conviction had been signed by several witnesses, and they were advised to disclose the whereabouts of the stolen money.

They again refused to declare their guilt, but subsequently, under lengthy examination, one of the men named Daniel Buckley, broke down and confessed.

He disclosed the hiding-place, and a Republican officer went to the spot and returned with £2,623, the amount left of Buckley's original share.

Buckley's admission unmasked his confederates, and before midnight four



## WEATHER REPORT.

Aug. 16-11A-10M—No returns from Japanese stations.

Pressure has increased slightly at Shanghai and Cape St James and decreased slightly elsewhere. The typhoon or depression near Guam appears to be moving very slowly northwards.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 7.04 inches, and at an average of 69.77 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending a noon on the 17th.

Hongkong to Gap Rock, S.W. or variable winds, moderate; fair; Kowloon Channel. The same as No. 1.

—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamack. The same as No. 1.

—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,  
HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER  
REPORT.

AUGUST 16, 1920.—A.M.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Widivestock S.	29.83	69	—	PAZ. 1			
Seuro	58	—	—	—			
Hakodate	—	—	—	—			
Tokio	—	—	—	—			
Kochi	—	—	—	—			
Yagasaki	—	—	—	—			
Yokohama	—	—	—	—			
Osaka	—	—	—	—			
Naha	—	—	—	—			
Ushimado	—	—	—	—			
Sonan Island	—	—	—	—			
Waihewa	6 a.	23.84	70	75	w	1	b
Hankow	—	—	—	—			
Chang	—	—	—	—			
Kukkiang	—	—	—	—			
Changsha	—	—	—	—			
Shantung	—	—	—	—			
Shanghai	28.83	70	82	x	1	0	
Gutai	29.76	77	77	x	1	0	
Sharp	29.78	81	82	x	1	0	
Amoy	29.72	81	89	x	1	0	
Swatow	—	—	—	—			
Taihoku	29.75	75	88	x	0	b	
Falchi	29.75	75	85	x	0	b	
Palau	29.75	75	85	x	0	b	
Keulen	29.75	75	85	x	0	b	
Udowar	29.74	78	85	x	4	0	
Castor	29.77	80	87	xw	1	0	
Hongkong	29.75	81	85	xw	0	0	
Gap Rock	29.74	81	85	xw	0	0	
Macao	29.74	81	84	xw	4	b	
Wuchow	29	—	—	—			
Fakhoi	—	—	—	—			
Hoitow	29.74	81	90	s	2	0	
Fourane	29.79	81	85	xw	2	0	
C. St. James	29.81	75	85	xw	2	b	
Apiai	—	—	—	—			
Dagupan	29.76	75	86	x	0	b	
Macilia	29.76	75	86	x	0	b	
Legaspi	29.74	73	86	w	1	b	
Tacloban	29.75	75	84	x	0	0	
Bolo	29.75	75	84	x	0	0	
Surigao	29.72	67	84	x	0	0	
Guam	29.72	67	84	x	0	0	
Labuan	6 a.	29.77	80	76	s	0	

T. F. CLAYTON, Director, Hongkong Observatory, Aug. 16, 1920.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast passing showers, p equally rain, s snow & thunder & visibility w few, w & rain & visibility w few, w & rain & drizzle.

## HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Civil Service tides at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1905-6.

The sort of the tide corresponds with the zero of the position of the Admiralty Chart which has been found to be 4 feet 6 inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

August 17 to 23, 1920.

	High Water	Low Water
17	29.76	29.75
18	29.75	29.74
19	29.75	29.74
20	29.75	29.74
21	29.75	29.74
22	29.75	29.74
23	29.75	29.74

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 1 p.m.	On date at 8 a.m.	On date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.76	29.75	29.73
Temperature	87	81	83
Humidity	78	85	78
Direction of Wind	w	w	w
Force	2	2	2
Weather	o	o	b
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Mr. F. GLASSER, Director, Hongkong Observatory, Aug. 16, 1920.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND  
PASSENGERS.

## VESSELS DUE.

## FROM SHANGHAI.

Aug. 17.	P. & O.	Lahore.
21.	B. F.	Prometheus.
24.	B. F.	City of Birmingham.
25.	B. F.	Protosians.
Sept. 5.	B. F.	Ningchow.
8.	B. F.	Rheus.
19.	B. F.	Achilles.
20.	B. F.	Mentor.
Oct. 11.	B. F.	Kreun.
25.	B. F.	Telus.
Nov. 8.	B. F.	Thesmon.
22.	B. F.	Helenus.
		Pipoon.

## FROM JAPAN.

Aug. 17.	B. I. A.	Takada.
18.	N. Y. K.	Aki Maru.
19.	B. F.	Kayanawa Maru.
20.	N. Y. K.	Bellephon.
21.	B. F.	Plassy.
23.	P. & O.	Japan.
Sept. 4.	P. & O.	Jayport.
4.	B. I. A.	Arratoon Appear.
10.	B. F.	Ocypha.
13.	P. & O.	Klava.
15.	B. F.	Lyracon.
19.	B. I. A.	Gregory Appear.
24.	E. & A.	Kanowna.
Oct. 5.	P. & O.	Nankin.
5.	B. F.	Titan.
11.	B. F.	Euryphus.
19.	P. & O.	Kashgar.
Nov. 1.	B. F.	Peleus.
9.	B. F.	Idomenus.

## FROM MANILA.

Aug. 23.	B. F.	Talithius.
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## FROM BOMBAY.

Aug. 30.	N. Y. K.	Totoro Maru.
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## FROM CALCUTTA.

Aug. 24.	B. I. A.	Madras.
25.	N. Y. K.	Totoro Maru.
30.	B. I. A.	Gregory Appear.

## FROM JAYA.

Aug. 27.	J. C. J. L.	Tjisondari.
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## FROM MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.

Aug. 19.	N. Y. K.	Tango Maru.
Sept. 4.	E. & A.	Kanowna.

## FROM VANCOUVER.